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To Whom It May Concern:

RE: Docket #98N-1038


We are demanding prominent labeling on food which will include the term irradiation or irradiated and the use of the radura symbol.

The proposed alternative terms such as "cold pasteurization" and "electronic pasteurization" are misleading and should not be used. The absence of a statement will be misleading because irradiation destroys vitamins and causes changes in sensory and spoilage qualities that are not obvious or expected by the consumer.

The labeling should remain permanent as established by the FDA in 1990 (Ref. 6:55 FR 14415, April 18, 1990)

Sincerely,


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